

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A housing for dryer venting comprising:

a top wall, a bottom wall, and two side walls that combined define an inner space sized to house a portion of venting attached to a clothes dryer;

a front face plate extending from at least one of the walls; and

a ~~standoff~~ plurality of standoffs extending rearwardly from the front face plate ~~and having a portion of which is~~ wherein each of the standoffs has a portion adapted to attach to a wood stud to hold the housing in place.

2. (original) The housing defined in claim 1 wherein the standoff includes a hole therethrough and is adapted to receive a screw.

3. (original) The housing defined in claim 1 and further comprising a knockout sized to receive a duct attached to a clothes dryer.

4. (original) The housing defined in claim 1 and further comprising a rear wall attached to the top wall, bottom wall, and side walls.

5. (original) The housing defined in claim 1 and further comprising a plurality of posts adapted to have a bracket attached thereto for holding a dryer venting duct in place and stable.

6. (original) The housing defined in claim 3 wherein the knockout is in the top wall.
7. (original) The housing defined in claim 4 and further comprising a knockout in the rear wall, the knockout sized to receive a duct attached to a clothes dryer.
8. (original) The housing defined in claim 4 wherein the top wall, bottom wall, and side walls are at an angle of  $90.5^{\circ}$  to  $92.5^{\circ}$  with respect to the rear wall.
9. (original) The housing defined in claim 1 wherein the standoff includes a beveled portion to assist in boring the standoff into a wood stud.
10. (original) A housing for dryer venting comprising:  
a top wall, a bottom wall, two side walls, and a back wall, that combined define an inner space; and  
at least one standoff extending rearwardly and which comprises a beveled portion adapted to sink into a wood stud when pressure is applied to the housing.
11. (original) The housing defined in claim 10 wherein the standoff includes a hole therethrough and is adapted to receive a screw.
12. (original) The housing defined in claim 10 and further comprising a knockout sized to

receive a duct attached to a clothes dryer.

13. (original) The housing defined in claim 10 and further comprising a rear wall attached to the top wall, bottom wall, and side walls.

14. (original) The housing defined in claim 10 and further including, a front face plate to which the at least one standoff is attached.

15. (original) The housing defined in claim 12 wherein the knockout is in the top wall.

16. (original) The housing defined in claim 13 and further comprising a knockout in the rear wall, the knockout sized to receive a duct attached to a clothes dryer.

17. (original) A method of installing a housing for dryer venting comprising the steps:

- (a) providing a housing with a box portion and a face plate with at least one standoff attached to its back side;
- (b) providing a wood stud for a wall in a building;
- (c) positioning the housing so that the standoff is aligned with the wood stud;
- (d) applying pressure against the housing to force a portion of the standoff into the wood stud; and
- (e) permanently attaching the housing to the wood stud.